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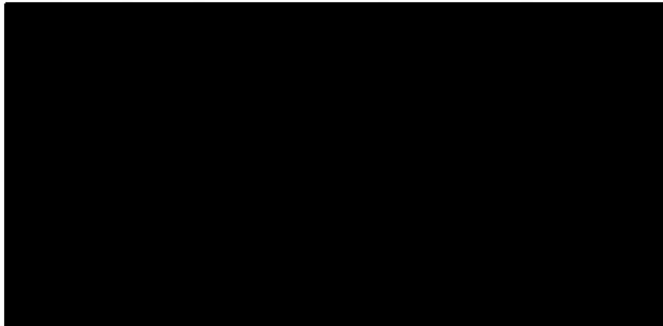Ph: (09) 630-9943   ext: 22342
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28 April 2021

Re: Official Information Act request – Number of abortions performed

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 12 April 2021, requesting the following information:

I wish to request under the Official Information Act the following information:-

1. **The number of abortions that were performed pre 20 weeks and post 20 weeks at the Board's facilities in 2020.**

   Pre-20 weeks
   First trimester 3793: 2286 surgical, 1507 medical
   Second trimester 250: 218 surgical, 32 medical

   Post 20 weeks: 26

2. **The number of medical and surgical abortions that were performed at the above facilities in 2020.**

   As above: surgical = 2286 + 218 = 2504
   Medical = 1507 + 32 + 26 = 1565

3. **The number of women who received pre abortion counselling at the above facilities in 2020.**

   The number of women who received pre abortion counselling at the above facilities in 2020 = 19

4. **The number of women who received post abortion counselling at the above facilities in 2020.**

   The number of women who received post abortion counselling at the above facilities in 2020 = 60

5. **The gestational age of the latest pregnancy terminated at your facilities in 2020.**

    After weighing the public interest against the privacy interest of the individual patient(s), this information has been withheld pursuant to s9(2)(a) – to protect their privacy.

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours faithfully

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Chief Executive of Te Toka Tumai (Auckland District Health Board)